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2. [redacted] I had lunch with [redacted] visitors together with Hans Nathan Tuch (Deputy Director, VOA) and Bernard Kamenske (Chief, News Division, VOA). VOA exchanges transmitter time with the BBC [redacted] but there are no exchange arrangements between VOA [redacted] broadcasts in 35 languages, VOA in 37, counting a new Persian language service which will begin next month. [redacted] discontinued its general service for North America. VOA does not broadcast in Japanese because it considers Japan media saturated. Kamenske showed [redacted] an example of an important [redacted] statement received through FBIS which would have been more useful had it been received two days earlier. Tuck and Kamenske emphasized the importance of FBIS, BBC, [redacted] monitoring to VOA and would surely provide us with a written statement of support if it ever becomes necessary. (cc: C/Ops, C/LRB) (C)

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